

Thursday, June 11, 1998

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Eleven bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2156-2166, S.J. Res. 52 and 53, and S. Res. 247. **Page S6181**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows: Special Report on Further Revised Allocation to Subcommittees of Budget Totals for Fiscal Year 1999. (S. Rept. No. 105-211)

S. 2159, making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999. (S. Rept. No. 105-212)

S. 2160, making appropriations for military construction, family housing, and base realignment and closure for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999. (S. Rept. No. 105-213) **Page S6181**

Measures Passed:

National Park System Reform: Senate passed S. 1693, to provide for improved management and increased accountability for certain National Park Service Programs, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto:

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Thomas (for Murkowski/Bumpers) Amendment No. 2703, of a technical nature. **Page S6268**

U.S.-Korea Relations: Committee on Foreign Relations was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 245, expressing the sense of the Senate that it is the interest of both the United States and the Republic of Korea to maintain and enhance continued close U.S.-ROK relations, and to commend President Kim Dae Jung and the Republic of Korea for the measures already implemented and those it has committed to implement to resolve the country's economic and financial problems, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Page S6270**

Authorizing Testimony: Senate agreed to S. Res. 247, to authorize testimony, document production,

and representation of Member and employees of the Senate in *United States versus Jack L. Williams, et al.*

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Universal Tobacco Settlement Act: Senate resumed consideration of S. 1415, to reform and restructure the processes by which tobacco products are manufactured, marketed, and distributed, to prevent the use of tobacco products by minors, and to redress the adverse health effects of tobacco use, with a modified committee amendment in the nature of a substitute (Amendment No. 2420), taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows:

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Adopted:

Kerry Modified Amendment No. 2689 (to Amendment No. 2437), to establish that a State shall use not less than 50 percent of certain restricted funds to carry out activities under the Child Care and Development Block Grant Act of 1990. (By 33 yeas to 66 nays (Vote No. 157), Senate earlier failed to table the amendment.)

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Subsequently, the amendment was further modified. **Pages S6271-72**

Rejected:

Faircloth Amendment No. 2701 (to Amendment No. 2437), to limit attorneys' fees. (By 50 yeas to 45 nays, 2 responding present (Vote No. 158), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Pages S6170-75**

Pending:

Gregg/Leahy Amendment No. 2433 (to Amendment No. 2420), to modify the provisions relating to civil liability for tobacco manufacturers. **Page S6139**

Gregg/Leahy Amendment No. 2434 (to Amendment No. 2433), in the nature of a substitute. **Page S6139**

Gramm Motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Finance with instructions to report back forthwith, with Amendment No. 2436, to modify the provisions relating to civil liability for tobacco manufacturers, and to eliminate the marriage penalty reflected in the standard deduction and to ensure the earned income credit takes into account the elimination of such penalty. **Page S6139**

Daschle (for Durbin) Amendment No. 2437 (to Amendment No. 2436), relating to reductions in underage tobacco usage. **Page S6139**

Reed Amendment No. 2702 (to Amendment No. 2437), to disallow tax deductions for advertising, promotional, and marketing expenses relating to tobacco product use unless certain requirements are met. **Page S6176**

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 43 yeas to 56 nays (Vote No.156), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative, Senate failed to agree to close further debate on the modified committee amendment in the nature of a substitute (Amendment No. 2420). **Page S6145**

Senate will continue consideration of the bill on Friday, June 12, 1998.

Removal of Injunction of Secrecy: The injunction of secrecy was removed from the following treaties:

Extradition Treaty with Austria (Treaty Doc. 105-50); and Convention on Protection of Children and Co-operation in Respect of Intercountry Adoption (Treaty Doc. 105-51).

The treaty was transmitted to the Senate today, considered as having been read for the first time, and referred, with accompanying papers, to the Committee on Foreign Relations and was ordered to be printed. **Pages S6270-71**

Messages From the President: Senate received the following messages from the President of the United States:

Transmitting the report concerning the governments of the Federal Republic Yugoslavia (Serbia and Montenegro) in response to the situation in Kosovo; referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM-139). **Pages S6178-79**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Kelley S. Coyner, of Virginia, to be Administrator of the Research and Special Programs Administration, Department of Transportation.

William Lloyd Massey, of Arkansas, to be a Member of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission for the term expiring June 30, 2003.

Carlos Pascual, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Administrator of the Agency for International Development.

2 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.

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Record Votes: Three record votes were taken today. (Total—158) **Pages S6145, S6156, S6175**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:45 a.m., and adjourned at 6:45 p.m., until 9:30 p.m., on Friday, June 12, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S6272.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS—AGRICULTURE/VA-HUD/MILITARY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Appropriations: Committee ordered favorably reported the following bills:

Original bill (S. 2159) making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999;

Original bill making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development and for sundry independent agencies, boards, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999; and

Original bill (S. 2160) making appropriations for military construction, family housing, and base realignment and closure for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999.

RECREATIONAL FEE COLLECTION

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded oversight hearings on the implementation of the Recreational Fee Demonstration Program, designed to authorize the Forest Service, National Park Service, Bureau of Land Management, and Fish and Wildlife Service to establish fee collection programs at sites that they manage, after receiving testimony from John Berry, Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Policy, Management and Budget; Lyle Laverty, Regional Forester, Forest Service, Department of Agriculture; David Brown, America Outdoors, Knoxville, Tennessee; Adena Cook, Blue Ribbon Coalition, Idaho Falls, Idaho; Dunham Gooding, Outdoor Recreation Coalition of America, Boulder, Colorado;